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AUSTIN, TEXAS

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HOLDINGS OF THE
TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

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To the Honorable Secretary of State, Austin, Texas:

I herewith transmit to you House Bill No. 185, same being an Act to validate, ratify, approve, confirm, and declare enforceable all levies and assessments of ad valorem taxes heretofore made by independent school districts in this State, which I have this day disapproved and vetoed.

This Act contains a provision that it applies to school districts of not less than twenty-two thousand five hundred (22,500) inhabitants and not more than twenty-two thousand nine hundred and fifty (22,950) inhabitants, yet the language is not clear and by subsequent provisions of the bill it is made to apply to all school districts and assessments of property within the independent school districts of this State. This Act seeks to validate every illegal act heretofore passed by the governing bodies of independent school districts in this State, and as in most cases excessive bond issues were foisted upon the people - in many cases without their consent - I think the people should not be deprived of any defense which they are entitled to make under the law. I am not opposing that which has been legally done but only that which has been illegally done.

Done at Austin, Texas, this the 30th day of October, A.D.
1933.

Miriam A. Ferguson
Governor of Texas